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SUBJECT: Draft State of Administration Policy on H.R. 1580, Anti-Apartheid Act Amendments of 1988.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than 10:00 A.M., THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1988.

Questions should be referred to Annette Rooney/Sue Thau (395-7300), the legislative analyst in this office.

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H.R. 1580 - Anti-Apartheid Act Amendments of 1988 (Dellums (D) California and 127 others)

If H.R. 1580 is presented to the President, his senior advisers would recommend that it be vetoed because the bill undermines the President's ability to conduct an effective foreign policy.

The bill, which amends the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act of 1986 by broadening the existing sanctions, would impede rather than advance the goal of promoting further change in South Africa. If the measures called for in H.R. 1580 are enacted they would further harm the South African economy and U.S. economic interests, without hastening the end of apartheid. Moreover, the extraterritorial reach of the multilateral measures to enforce sanctions would undermine our relations with our allies.

Finally, the Department of Justice advises that the blanket prohibition on all U.S. intelligence and military cooperation with South Africa unconstitutionally interferes with the President's exclusive authority to recognize foreign governments, to determine the nature and extent of diplomatic relations with them, and to act as commander-in-chief.